

ALABAMA BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

NEW RIVER

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

Philadelphia Baptist Church;

FAYETTE COUNTY, ALA.,

OCTOBER 13, 15 and 16, 1883.

OFFICERS:

J. B. FERGUSON, - - - - - Moderator
ZACH SAVAGE, - - - - - Clerk.

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New River Baptist Association.

PHILADELPHIA CHURCH, FAYETTE CO., ALA.,
October 13th, 1883.

1. The New River Baptist Association met pursuant to adjournment; and after reading the 139th Psalm, and prayer by the Moderator, the letters from the different churches were called for, and Brethren W. B. Melton and W. J. Trull were appointed reading clerks. The letters were read and the names of delegates enrolled. (See Statistical Table.)

2. The body then proceeded to the election of a Moderator and Clerk, which resulted in the choice of Elder J. B. Ferguson as Moderator; Zach Savage, Clerk, and W. B. Melton, Corresponding Secretary.

3. On motion, Elder J. E. Cox was appointed to deliver the Introductory Sermon in the absence of Elders E. Howell and J. B. Huckabee, who were appointed at the last session.

4. The Moderator appointed a Committee on Devotion, to-wit: J. W. Collins, J. M. Wallis and M. E. Chambliss, with the deacons of Philadelphia Church.

5. On motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M.; and after refreshment, assembled at the stand, when Elder J. E. Cox delivered the Introductory Sermon, from Luke 13:7.

6. Re-assembled in the house, and extended an opportunity to any church or churches who might wish to unite with this Asso-

ciation; whereupon there was a petitionary letter presented from Union Church, Marion County, which, on motion, was received. Also, a petitionary letter from Friendship Church, Fayette County, which, on motion, was referred to a committee composed of the following brethren, to-wit: Elders D. W. Andrews, W. L. Jones, G. W. Gravlee, and Brethren D. G. Kirkland, A. J. Reeves, E. B. Newton and J. H. McGuire.

7. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Documents—Elders W. L. Jones and G. W. Gravlee, and Brethren A. J. Reeves, C. M. Weeks and W. J. Trull.

On Circular Letter—Elder D. W. Andrews, E. B. Newton, D. G. Kirkland, J. P. Watson and J. E. Mills.

On Nominations—W. F. Kirkland, I. W. Moore, J. S. Shirley, J. S. Hollingsworth and Frank Wilson.

On Finance—C. M. Weeks, Jas. Balinger, A. J. Newton and J. W. Watkins.

On Vocal Music—W. B. Melton, J. R. Stevens, J. M. Spann, W. A. Taylor and Elder A. M. King.

On Education—Elder W. L. Jones, J. H. McGuire, J. D. Thomas and B. L. Stanley.

On Temperance—Elder J. S. Shirley, E. B. Newton, J. C. Chapel and J. W. Falls.

On Arrangements—Zach Savage, L. C. Shirley, W. J. Blankenship and J. W. Collins.

On Sabbath Schools—L. C. Shirley, J. D. Thomas, J. C. Chapel and J. W. Collins.

8. Philadelphia Church presented a memorial, which was referred to the Committee on Documents.

9. On motion, Brethren J. H. McGuire and J. W. Collins were added to the Committee on Documents.

10. Adjourned till 8:30 o'clock A. M. Monday. Prayer by Eld. D. W. Andrews.

SUNDAY, Oct. 14th.

Preaching at the stand at 11 o'clock A. M., by Elder G. W. Gravlee, from Acts 26:18; at 1 o'clock P. M., by Elder J. B. Huckabee, from Nehemiah 2:17.

MONDAY, Oct. 15th.

The Association met at the appointed hour, and, after reading the 116th Psalm, engaged in prayer, led by Elder A. M. King.

11. On motion, Elder A. M. King and J. E. Mills were excused.

12. Called for the report of the Committee on Arrangements, which was read and adopted, as follows:

We, your Committee on Arrangements, submit the following report:

1. Read Constitution, Articles of Faith, and Rules of Decorum.
2. Call for report of Special Committee in reference to the reception of Friendship Church into this body.
3. Call for correspondence.
4. Return correspondence.
5. Call for report of Committee on Documents.
6. Call for report of Committee on Circular Letter.
7. Call for report of District Meetings.
8. Call for report of Committee on Nominations.
9. Call for report of Committee on Finance.
10. Call for report of Committee on Temperance.
11. Call for report of Executive Board.
12. Call for report of Committee on High School.
13. Call for report of Committee on Sabbath Schools.
14. Call for report of Treasurer.
15. Appoint Treasurer.
16. Call for report of Committee on Vocal Music.
17. Call for report of Committee on Education.
18. Call for the reading of Corresponding Letters.
19. Call for report of Committee on Superannuated Ministers.

13. Read the Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum.

14. Called for the report of the Committee on the Petition of Friendship Church for admission, which was adopted:

We, your Committee appointed to consider the petition of Friendship Church for membership with us, would report as follows:

Since the decision of the North River Association was, that to restore members excluded by other bodies was not expedient, and we having advised in such cases that our churches rescind such acts of restoration, we would recommend that the said Friendship Church rescind such acts before she be received into this body. Respectfully submitted, D. W. ANDREWS, Chm'n.

15. On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and visiting ministers invited to seats with us, when Elders J. B. Huckabee and J. W. Rogers came forward, and were welcomed by the Moderator.

16. Called for Correspondents, when Yellow Creek Association responded with a letter and delegates, to-wit: Elder W. C. Woods, P. M. Woods, and C. D. Stewart; Tuskaloosa Association by letter; and North River Association by letter and delegates, to-wit: Elds. J. E. Cox, A. A. Smith, and J. L. Gilder; and the Correspondents were welcomed by the Moderator.

17. Returned Correspondents, as follows:

To Yellow Creek Association—Elder J. N. Dickinson, J. M. Spann, J. F. Holloman, A. J. Reeves, and J. S. Hollingsworth.

Tuskaloosa Association—Elder G. W. Gravlee, J. D. Thomas, W. B. Melton, and W. D. Doughty.

North River Association—Elder W. L. Jones, D. W. Andrews, G. W. Gravlee, J. N. Dickinson, P. M. Newton, D. G. Kirkland, M. E. Chambliss, W. B. Shirley, and B. L. Stanley.

18. Called for the report of the Committee on Documents, which was read, and, on motion, was received and adopted by items.

REPORT ON DOCUMENTS.

Your Committee on Documents beg leave to report as follows:

Having carefully examined all the papers and documents submitted to us, we note the following items as the only matters that we deem necessary to claim our special attention, viz.:

1st. We call the attention of the Clerks of the various churches to the importance of an improvement in their letters and documents to this body. Some of them we find unnecessarily long and prolix, while others fail to contain the necessary statistics of their churches. Former resolutions of this body made it the duty of such Clerks to report carefully Sunday Schools and their statistics, as well as the financial work of the churches in their letters. This we find greatly neglected.

2nd. Your Committee would also recommend greater care as to the form and general get up of their correspondence, the use of better language, better grammar, and better spelling.

3rd. Answering query from Sbepherd church, viz.: What is the standing of a member holding a let er of dismission relative to the church? We answer, First, we think such a member is and ought to be amenable to the rules and regulations of such church for his moral conduct just the same as if he were a member in full standing; and, second, we think that while this is true, yet he is not entitled to any of the rights and privileges of such church *as a matter of right*, for the very good reason that by his own voluntary act he has cut himself off from such rights.

4th. The complaint of Union church against Philadelphia church as embodied in her letter to this body: We think that in some of its declarations and allegations, especially the one declaring a non-fellowship without a thorough investigation of the cause of complaint, are rather too hastily and unadvisedly drawn, and from the light before us, which of course consists only of said letter, we are led to conclude that there is a want of true Christian spirit and Gospel patience manifested in the action of said Union church. We, therefore, recommend the appointment of a committee of seven or more to look into this matter, and report the result of their labors to this body at the earliest convenience, either at the present or the next annual session of this body.

5th. Having next examined the memorial in our hands from Philadelphia church, with its various preambles and resolutions, your Committee find, and so report, that said memorial contains in itself a plain and open confession to this body of such a state of disorder and unchristian conduct as to require this body to sever its connection with said Philadelphia church. The numerous matters of complaint in said memorial have reference wholly to the errors and misdoings of the said Philadelphia church, in the management of her own internal concerns, and such proceedings in her own church conferences as this body cannot legally investigate, and could not remedy if such investigation could be had. We also find material conflict in the statements made and contained in said memorial and those contained in the letter in our hands from said Philadelphia church, the one informing us that their church is in perfect peace and harmony, while the other in more than one allegation informs us of many and grave difficulties and confusions. Your Committee, therefore, acting of course upon the documents in our hands, which are the only lights to govern us in this matter, feel it to be their imperative duty to report said church as not being in proper condition to longer remain a member of our body.

6th. Having examined the request from Harmony Grove church with reference to the education of Bro. Dickinson, so as to prepare him for the ministry, your Committee is pleased to recommend Bro. Dickinson as an object

worthy the favorable consideration of this body, and trust that such means will be raised and such encouragement offered the young brother, as will enable him to prepare himself for the great and glorious work which he has undertaken.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. GRAVLEE, Chm'n.

The Moderator then appointed the committee as recommended by the Committee on Documents, which was required to report at 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow, the committee consisting of Elders D. W. Andrews, W. L. Jones and G. W. Gravlee, and Brethren W. B. Melton, W. J. Trull, W. B. Shirley and A. J. Reeves.

Then a short time was spent in raising funds for the education of Bro. J. N. Dickinson, when some eighty dollars were raised in cash and pledges.

A committee was appointed on Ministerial Education, composed of Brethren E. B. Newton, A. M. Nuckols and A. J. Reeves.

19. On motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M. Prayer by Eld. J. E. Cox.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

20. Called for report of Committee on Circular Letter, which was received and adopted, as follows:

We, your Committee on Circular Letter, would report that there has been no circular letter submitted to us.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. ANDREWS, Chm'n.

21. Called for reports of District Meetings, which were received and adopted:

FIRST DISTRICT.

The next meeting is to be held with Rocky Mount Church, commencing on Friday before the fourth Sabbath in August, 1884. Elder J. B. Ferguson to preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder W. J. Miller, alternate.

The body to spend one hour Friday evening discussing the subjects of the sermon.

First query, Saturday A. M.—“At what time was Christ's Church set up on the earth?” Opened by Brethren L. C. Shirley and A. M. Nuckols.

Second query, Saturday P. M.—“Is it required of us to pay the tenth of all we possess, as it was of the Jews?” Opened by Brethren J. W. Falls and J. D. Thomas.

We give the next session of the Association to Shady Grove Church.

W. B. MELTON, Clerk.

ZACH SAVAGE, Moderator.

SECOND DISTRICT.

The next meeting is to be held with Oak Grove Church, commencing on Friday before the second Sabbath in August, 1884. Elder J. S. Shirley to preach the Introductory Sermon; J. N. Dickinson, alternate. Elder A. M. King to preach at 11 o'clock on Sunday; W. L. Jones, alternate.

First query, Saturday A. M.—“What is the difference between circumcision and baptism?” To be opened by J. S. Shirley and P. M. Newton.

Second query, Saturday P. M.—“What is the difference between the Paschal Supper and the Sacramental Supper instituted by Christ?” Opened by J. Dickinson and M. Shirey.

W. B. SHIRLEY, Clerk.

E. B. NEWTON, Moderator.

22. Called for the report of the Committee on Nominations, which was received and adopted.

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to report that Elder A. M. King deliver the Introductory Sermon at the next session of the Association, at 11 o'clock A. M., Thursday; J. N. Dickinson, alternate.

Elder J. B. Ferguson to preach at 11 o'clock A. M. Sunday; Elder G. W. Gravlee, alternate.

W. B. Melton to write circular letter.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. KIRKLAND, Chm'n.

23. Called for the report of the Committee on Finance, which was received and adopted:

We, your Committee on Finance, make the following report:

Minutes.....	\$28 20
Associational purposes.....	16 45
Total.....	\$44 65

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. WEEKS, Chm'n.

24. Called for report of Committee on Temperance, which was received and adopted, as follows:

We, your Committee on Temperance, ask to report, that, while we would urge our brethren to be temperate in all things, we would solicit them to especially guard against the use of ardent spirits as a beverage, and to use their influence against the establishing of places of resort for social drinking in their respective neighborhoods, and, when practicable, to obtain the benefit of local prohibition in the bounds of our churches. We find that when such prohibition has been secured great improvement in morals peace and quietude of such neighborhoods has been the result. Respectfully submitted,

J. S. SHIRLEY, Chm'n.

25. Called for the report of the Executive Board, which was adopted:

The Executive Board of this Association submit the following report of their action during the past associational year, viz: We have received the following amounts of money:

H. M. Bell, former Chairman of Board.....	\$ 51 25
Mount Olive church, per W. A. Edmonds.....	10 00
Zach Savage, Clerk.....	5 45
A. M. Nuckols, former Clerk.....	5 00
Philadelphia, per J. B. Ferguson.....	2 50
E. B. Newton, per H. M. Bell.....	1 00
J. B. Huckabee.....	10 00
J. E. Cox, for books sold by him.....	8 45
J. E. Cox, collected for Board.....	10 00
Mt. Lebanon, per J. W. Collins.....	10 50

Total.....\$114 15

The Board employed Elder J. E. Cox in the missionary work in the Association for three months, paying him \$25.00 per month, which exhausted the means then on hand, and afterwards having collected more funds, again employed him, paying him \$36.90. Your Executive Board are highly pleased with the labors of Bro. Cox, and take great pleasure in recommending him to the favorable consideration of this body.

J. H. MCGUIRE, Chm'n.

26. Elder J. E. Cox submitted his report of his labors, to-wit:

I have labored within the bounds of your Association since the last session of this body nine months, with the following results: Organized one church,

ordained one deacon, witnessed thirty-two conversions, baptized eighteen converts, and organized five Sabbath-schools. For these services I received \$270.90.
Respectfully submitted, J. E. COX, Missionary.

27. Elder J. B. Huckabee submitted the report of his ministerial labors, to-wit:

TO THE NEW RIVER ASSOCIATION—*Dear Brethren:*

I herewith submit my annual report of ministerial work done in this and other Associations for the associational year ending with this session: I have delivered fifteen sermons in this Association and twenty-seven in other Associations; have made nine Sabbath School talks; have attended twenty prayer meetings and thirty sessions of the various Sabbath Schools. Total, forty-two sermons; nine Sabbath School talks; one discussion with a Mormon and one with Mr. Strong, *the American Sunday School Union* agent.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. HUCKABEE.

28. Called for the report from the Board of Trustees of High School, which was read and received.

29. Bro. J. H. McGuire was excused.

30. On motion, adjourned until 8:30 o'clock Tuesday. Prayer by Elder J. B. Huckabee.

TUESDAY, October 16.

Met at the appointed hour. The body was called to order by the Moderator, and after reading 3rd chapter of 1st Epistle of John, engaged in prayer led by the Moderator.

31. Took up the report of the Trustees of High School, which was, on motion, adopted, to-wit:

The Board of Trustees for the High School, appointed by this body at its last session, make the following report:

We drew up and signed Articles of Incorporation as provided by law for the incorporation of said High School, but finding it to be, in our opinion, impossible to raise the necessary funds to secure the building of such a house as we thought proper for a school of high order, and finding also that some of the subscribers to the fund, reported last year, had been using their influence to change the location of said High School; and that many persons in anticipation of some future effort to change the county seat of Fayette county from Fayette Court House to some point east of there on the Georgia Pacific Railroad, were reluctant to do any thing for said High School, while this question is still in a state of uncertainty, we are compelled to report to this body that we have received no encouragement whatever since our last session to justify a well founded hope of the success of this laudable enterprise. Your Board, therefore, do not feel that they can accomplish any good by remaining connected with this enterprise. We are unable to raise the necessary funds and cannot pay them ourselves, and hence we ask to be discharged, thanking this body for the honor conferred on us. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. MCGUIRE, Chm'n,

W. B. MELTON,

ZACH SAVAGE,

W. J. TRULL,

F. M. CAIN,

J. H. HOLLOMAN,

Board of Trustees.

32. Called for the report on Sabbath Schools, which was adopted, as follows:

We, your Committee on Sabbath Schools, ask to report, that it appears from the letters of the churches, that the interest in Sabbath Schools is increasing. The churches that have Sabbath Schools are Union, Marion county, Concord, at the school house near Philadelphia church, Chapel Hill, Harmony Grove, Fayetteville, Shepherd, Hopewell, Union, Fayette county, and Oak Grove, being three more than were reported last session. We would earnestly ask the churches that have no Sabbath Schools to seriously consider this very important work of bringing up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and that the churches be more faithful in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

L. C. SHIRLEY, Chm'n.

33. Called for the report of the Treasurer, which was adopted, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.

Received of the Association....	\$ 1 50
Finance Committee	10 00
Minute fund	28 65
Associational fund.	5 40—\$45 55

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Paid R. J. Smith for printing petitions.....	\$ 1 50
Minutes.....	28 65
Executive Board.....	5 40
Elder J. E. Cox.....	10 00—\$45 55

Respectfully submitted,

ZACH SAVAGE, Treas.

34. Re-appointed Zach Savage Treasurer.

35. Called for the report of the Committee on the matter of Union church against Philadelphia church. The report was received and adopted.

We, your Committee, appointed to investigate the complaint from Union church against her sister church, Philadelphia, wherein a declaration of non-fellowship was declared, ask to make the following report:

That Union church acted unadvisedly in declaring a non-fellowship with Philadelphia church; but had a right to complain against the conduct of Philadelphia church towards her pastor, in discharging him from the pastoral care without a cause, he not having violated any of the rules of Philadelphia church. Respectfully submitted,

D. W. ANDREWS, Chm'n.

36. Called for the report on Vocal Music, which was adopted, as follows:

We, your Committee on Vocal Music, make the following report:

Although not a single church has made a report as to the advancement of that delightful part of the worship of God, yet we learn there has been considerable improvement in many of the churches of this Association. We earnestly desire to see more interest taken in the science of music, and we would ask the delegates from their respective churches when they return to urge further improvement during the next associational year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. MELTON, Cham'n.

37. Called for the report on Education, which was adopted, as follows:

Your Committee on Education report as follows:

We are not informed of any material advancement of the cause of education in the bounds of our Association since our last session, and, therefore, ask that the brethren take this neglected duty under consideration, and withhold not their hands in doing something to advance this great and glorious cause. Our High School enterprise, we are sorry to learn, has not met with encouragement, and we fear greatly that our brethren have not done their full duty in this matter; and we desire, also, to impress upon the minds of the brethren the great necessity and importance of encouraging schools by sustaining those they have in their immediate vicinity. Respectfully submitted,

W. L. JONES, Chm'n.

38. Called for the report of the Committee on Superannuated, Aged and Infirm Ministers, which was adopted:

We, your Committee on Superannuated Ministers, would report, that we have received for Elder A. M. King from Mt. Lebanon church \$8.00, and for D. W. Andrews from Meadow Branch church and others \$9.60.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. NEWTON, Chm'n.

39. Re-appointed Brethren A. M. Nuckols, E. B. Newton, and M. Shirey Committee on Superannuated Ministers.

40. Called for miscellaneous business, when a protest was presented by Bro. J. D. Thomas and others in regard to the action of this body in the matter with Philadelphia church, and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

PROTEST.

We, the undersigned, being in the minority in this body, do respectfully ask the privilege of entering this our most earnest and solemn protest against the action of this body in adopting so much of the report of the Committee on Documents, in which they declare non-fellowship and withdraw fraternal relations from Philadelphia church, believing the same to have been too hastily done and in violation of Article 3 of our Constitution. Respectfully submitted,

J. D. THOMAS,
E. B. NEWTON,
T. J. GODFREY.

41. Bro. J. H. McGuire, per J. W. Watkins, tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Executive Board, which was received, and he was discharged.

42. The Moderator appointed an Executive Board, to-wit: Brethren J. W. Collins, W. B. Melton, W. F. Kirkland, M. C. Bowling, and Zach Savage.

43. Appointed delegates to the State Baptist Convention, to-wit: Elders G. W. Gravlee, J. B. Ferguson, W. L. Jones, D. W. Andrews, Brethren J. S. Shirley, W. J. Trull, W. B. Melton, A. J. Reeves, and C. M. Weeks.

44. On motion, adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M. Prayer by Elder G. W. Gravlee.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

45. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, when the following resolutions were adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That this body tender its thanks to Philadelphia church and vicinity for their hospitality shown us during our stay with them.

W. B. MELTON.

2. *Resolved*, That we give no aid to union or non-sectarian Sunday School literature circulated by one Rev. Strong, and that the churches be advised not to allow him to organize Sunday Schools among them.

46. On motion, suspended the regular order of business and heard petitionary letter from Mount Pisgah church, which church was received into the Union of this body and her delegates seated.

47. Returned to the regular order of business.

3. *Resolved*, That the Clerk superintend and have printed as many minutes as the funds will pay for at THE ALABAMA BAPTIST office and receive \$10.00 for his services as clerk, and if any surplus of Associational fund, pay the same over to the Executive Board.

W. P. MELTON.

48. Called the roll, read and corrected minutes.

49. Adjourned to meet with Shady Grove church, fourteen miles south of east from Fayette Court House, at 11 A. M., Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1884.

J. B. FERGUSON, Moderator,
Bucksport P. O., Fayette County, Ala.

ZACH SAVAGE, Clerk,
Newtonville, Ala.



STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE NEW RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

	CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICE.	CHURCH CLERKS.	POST OFFICE.	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	Sub. of Meeting.	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Restored.	Deceased.	Total Membership	Minute Fund.	Associational Fund	Total Fund.
FIRST DISTRICT.	Shady Grove.....	J. B. Ferguson...	Bucksnort, Ala.	W. F. Kirkland...	Garfield...	Eld. J. B. Ferguson, W. F. Kirkland, J. C. Chapel.	2	3	2	..	3	..	2	71	\$ 1 50	\$ 50	\$ 2 00
	Mount Pleasant.....	G. W. Gravlee....	Newtonville, "	D. A. Kirkland....	Newtonville.....	L. G. Gladen, D. G. Kirkland.....	3	2	3	..	2	..	..	63	1 25	75	2 00
	Shepherd.....	J. M. Chism.....	Palmetto, "	J. D. Thomas.....	Newtonville.....	G. W. Gravlee, J. D. Thomas, Zach Savage.....	1	..	2	12	1	3	..	42	1 65	65	2 30
	Pilgrims' Rest.....	D. W. Andrews....	Fayette C. H., "	J. T. Stokes.....	Pilgrim.....	F. Wilson, A. L. Walker.....	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	71	1 50	1 00	2 50
	Chapel Hill.....	J. M. Chism.....	Palmetto, "	G. W. Ashcraft....	Cave Springs.....	J. W. Ashcraft.....	3	4	2	1	1	2	..	53	1 25	75	2 00
	Fayetteville.....	J. W. Rogers.....	Fayette C. H., "	H. M. Bell.....	Fayette C. H., Ala.	J. H. McGuire.....	1	3	3	6	1	2	..	39	1 50	2 50	4 00
	Rocky Mount.....	D. W. Andrews....	Fayette C. H., "	A. M. Smith.....	" " " " " "	Eld. D. W. Andrews, W. S. Bobo.....	4	3	..	1	..	2	..	52	1 00	50	1 50
	Concord.....	J. M. Chism.....	Palmetto, "	W. B. Melton.....	Ridge.....	W. D. Doughty, L. C. Shirley, W. B. Melton...	4	1	5	8	6	..	2	145	2 00	1 00	3 00
	Oak Ridge.....	Elijah Howell....	Pilgrim, "	James Freeman....	Pilgrim.....	No delegates present...	1	5	3	3	..	..	..	41	80	50	1 30
	Double Branches.....			Not represented...		Not represented.....											
SECOND DISTRICT.	Friendship, Tuscaloosa Co.	R. J. Mayfield....	Palmetto, "	J. P. Watson.....	Anro.....	E. Holloway, J. P. Watson.....	4	..	..	2	1	..	..	53	1 50	50	2 00
	Meadow Branch.....	J. M. Chism.....	Palmetto, "	W. J. Trull.....	Anro.....	W. J. Trull, T. J. Godfrey.....	2	2	..	3	..	..	..	33	1 25	1 00	2 25
	Arbor Springs.....	J. B. Ferguson....	Bucksnort, "	J. W. Falls.....	Fayette C. H., Ala.	J. W. Falls, J. W. Watkins.....	..	2	3	..	1	..	1	18	1 00	35	1 35
	Pleasant Hill.....	N. J. Dyre.....	Newtonville, "	E. B. Newton.....	Fayette C. H., Ala.	E. B. Newton, R. J. Stevens, M. E. Chambliss..	1	5	..	1	..	1	..	41	75	75	1 50
	Mount Lebanon.....	G. W. Gravlee....	Newtonville, "	J. W. Dodson.....	Ur, Marion Co., Ala.	Jas. Holloman, J. W. Collins, B. L. Stanley....	1	5	..	2	3	1	2	88	1 50	1 00	2 50
	Oak Grove.....	W. J. Kirk.....	Ur, "	W. A. Weeks.....	Texas, Marion Co., Ala.	C. M. Weeks, W. A. Taylor.....	2	10	6	..	..	..	..	40	1 00	50	1 50
	Hopewell.....	J. N. Dickinson...		G. S. Tucker.....		Elder A. M. King, J. E. Mills...	..	4	1	..	..	2	..	38	50	..	50
	Harmony Grove.....	J. C. Hendon.....		J. T. Spann.....		J. N. Dickinson, J. M. Spann, J. Shirey....	1	7	..	4	2	1	..	108	2 00	45	2 45
	Mount Joy.....	N. J. Dyre.....		M. D. Killingsworth	Mt. Calm.....	A. J. Reeves.....	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	68	1 00	50	1 50
	Mount Olive.....	N. J. Dyre.....		Wm. Lewis.....	Fayette C. H., Ala.	Elds. W. C. Jones, J. S. Shirley, W. B. Shirley..	4	5	1	3	..	1	1	87	1 50	1 00	2 00
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